

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia, Pa.,
Machine Shop.

~~SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE,~~

Hon. A. Loudon Snowden June 15th, 1883.
Superintendent.

Sir, In reply to your favor of the 13th inst, I beg leave to say, that we are in readiness to second your wishes, and will exert ourselves to accomplish the result desired, Apart from information furnished from Mr Webb (Foreman of the Rolling Room) I have not been informed as to what repairs will be necessary, and expected to be done; as far as may be the repairs referred to will be pushed to completion before the close of the month; in order to have the advantage of steam power, the making of a memorandum of repairs, at an early date would be an advantage.

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during the years 1868 & 69, with a respective coinage of $46\frac{1}{2}$ & $34\frac{1}{2}$ million pieces, the force of machinists was eleven, with one labour additional, in 1870, with a coinage $21\frac{1}{4}$ million pieces, the force was nine machinists, and one labourer,

The present force is six machinists, and two labours; of this number one has been detailed for duty in the Coining Room, for the past two years, I am therefore obliged to continually shift the men from one piece of work to another, in order to satisfy the demands made upon me, I would ~~therefore~~ respectfully ask that in view of the large amount of work being done, that you would increase, rather than diminish the force.

Very Respectfully

Amos J. Freeman

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Samuel James
~~Superintendent~~
Foreman Machine Shop

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